

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

600 WASHINGTON STREET, 7TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02111

Jane C. Edmonds
Director of Workforce Development

Angelo R. Buonopane Director of Labor

John C. Chapman Acting Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

TO: MASSACHUSETTS APPROVED UTILIZATION REVIEW AGENTS

FR: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

OFFICE OF HEALTH POLICY

RE: COMPENSABILITY

DA: August 25, 2004

This memorandum is to address issues raised by MA Utilization Review Agents regarding proof of compensability. Agents have informed the Department that the requirements requested by the Department are not available to the Agents to prove compensability. As such, the Department is putting the burden on the Agent to assure that there is evidence in the UR case notes and UR file that compensability is established prior to rendering a determination on a UR request.